

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-168

**AUTHORIZE THE ASSISTANT MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR
TO APPLY FOR A RECREATION GRANT FROM
BURLINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS**

WHEREAS, the Burlington County Board of Chosen Freeholders has approved the Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund (“Trust Fund”) and established a Municipal Park Development Program (“Program”) to provide grant funds in connection with municipal acquisition of lands for County park, recreation, conservation and farmland preservation purposes, as well as for municipal public park and recreation development purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of Florence desires to obtain County Municipal Park Development Program funds in the amount of \$250,000 for the 2019 Municipal Park Improvement Program (See Schedule “A” attached) on certain properties, blocks and lots being: (Veterans Park – Block 155.49 Lot 54.02), (Roebbling Park on the Delaware River – Block 126.01 Lot 2), and (Broad Street Recreation Complex – Block 156.02 Lots 20.01 & 17.01); and

WHEREAS, the township is pursuing the maximum grant award of \$250,000.00 and will provide for matching funds needed to complete the proposed work; and

WHEREAS, the township intends to perform all of the work listed using the full grant award and any matching funds for the selected projects: and

WHEREAS, the Township of Florence is the owner of and controls the project sites.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the Council of the Township of Florence, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, **THAT**:

1. Thomas A. Sahol, Assistant Township Administrator, is authorized to (a) make an application to the County of Burlington for Municipal Park Development Program Funds, (b) provide additional application information and furnish such documents as may be required for the Municipal Park Development Program and (c) act as the municipal contact person and correspondent of the above named municipality;
2. The Township of Florence is committed to this project and will provide the balance of funding necessary to complete the project in the form of non-county matching funds as required in the Policy and Procedures Manual for the Program; and
3. If awarded a grant by the County of Burlington under the Municipal Park Development Program, the municipality will use the approved funds in accordance with the Municipal Park Development Program Policy and Procedure Manual, and applicable federal, state, and local government rules, regulations and statutes thereto; and

4. Craig H. Wilkie, Mayor, is hereby authorized to sign and execute any required documents, agreements, and amendments thereto with the County of Burlington for the approved Funds; and
5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION:

I, Nancy Erlston, Clerk of the Township of Florence, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Governing Body of the Township of Florence at a meeting held on the 18th day of September, 2019. In Witness Whereof, I have hereunder set my hand and official seal of the municipality this 18th day of September, 2019.


NANCY ERLSTON, RMC
TOWNSHIP CLERK

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Schedule A

Program Priorities

2019 Florence Township Park Program

Improvements for park restrooms/storage facility, parking, river fishing pier, gazebo, pathway lighting, and trail connections

First Priority

Construction of a restroom/storage facility and additional parking to provide for the expanding youth field hockey program as well as other users of Veterans Park.

Second Priority

At the new Roebling Park along the Delaware River, creation of a riverfront fishing pier, installation of park path lighting, and installation of a gazebo on the park's western overlook of the river.

Third Priority

Installation of trail connections near Broad Street and West Sixth Street for the Veterans Park.